

Chapter 231. Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments**Subchapter B. Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments****§231.3. General Education, Prekindergarten.**

- (a) All-level certification in art, health education, music, physical education, speech communication and theatre arts, or theatre may be assigned to teach in the certified area(s) in Prekindergarten-Grade 12.
- (b) An assignment for General Education, Prekindergarten, is allowed with one of the following certificates.
 - (1) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
 - (2) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
 - (3) Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
 - (4) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
 - (5) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3.
 - (6) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten).
 - (7) Elementary--General.
 - (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (8) Elementary--General (Grades 1-6).
 - (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (9) Elementary--General (Grades 1-8).
 - (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (10) Elementary Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
 - (11) Elementary Self-Contained (Grades 1-8).
 - (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to

child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.

- (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
- (12) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
- (13) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (14) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
- (15) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (16) Kindergarten.
- (17) Legacy Master Mathematics Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 4) (Mathematics only).
- (18) Legacy Master Reading Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 12) (Reading only).
- (19) Legacy Master Science Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 4) (Science only).
- (20) Prekindergarten-Grade 5.
- (21) Prekindergarten-Grade 6.
- (22) Teacher of Young Children--General.

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§231.5. Bilingual, Prekindergarten.

- (a) An assignment for Bilingual, Prekindergarten, is allowed with one of the following certificates.
 - (1) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
 - (2) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
 - (3) A valid classroom teaching certificate appropriate for the grade level and subject areas taught plus any bilingual education certificate or endorsement.
 - (4) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten).
 - (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (5) Elementary--General.
 - (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement and the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.

- (C) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (6) Elementary--General (Grades 1-6).
- (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement and the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (C) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (7) Elementary--General (Grades 1-8).
- (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement and the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (C) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (8) Elementary Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
- (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (9) Elementary Self-Contained (Grades 1-8).
- (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
 - (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
- (10) Elementary teacher certification with Bilingual Endorsement.
- (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.

- (B) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the early childhood education delivery system or endorsement.
- (11) Prekindergarten-Grade 5--General.
 - (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (12) Prekindergarten-Grade 6--General.
 - (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (13) Prekindergarten-Grade 6--Bilingual/English as a Second Language.
- (14) Prekindergarten-Grade 12--Bilingual/English as a Second Language.
- (15) Kindergarten.
 - (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (16) Teacher of Young Children--General.
 - (A) Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
 - (B) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to verify oral and written proficiency in the language of the target population as measured by examinations approved by the TEA by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for assignment.
- (b) An assignment for the English component only of a dual language immersion/one-way or two-way bilingual education program model for Prekindergarten is allowed with a valid classroom teaching certificate appropriate for the grade level and subject areas taught plus a bilingual education certificate or endorsement or an English as a Second Language certificate or endorsement.

Statutory Authority: The provisions of this §231.5 issued under the Texas Education Code, §21.031(a) and §21.041(b)(2).

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§231.7. English as a Second Language, Prekindergarten.

An assignment for English as a Second Language, Prekindergarten, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
- (2) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (3) A valid classroom teaching certificate appropriate for the grade level and subject areas taught plus one of the following.

- (A) Bilingual Education Supplemental.
 - (B) Bilingual Education Supplemental (Early Childhood-Grade 4).
 - (C) Bilingual Education Supplemental (Grades 4-8).
 - (D) Bilingual Endorsement.
 - (E) Bilingual/English as a Second Language Endorsement.
 - (F) English as a Second Language Endorsement.
 - (G) English as a Second Language Supplemental.
- (4) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten). Initial assignments beginning with the 1991-1992 school year require the English as a Second Language endorsement or the bilingual education delivery system or endorsement.
- (5) Elementary--General.
- (A) Teachers assigned prior to the 1991-1992 school year are required to complete a minimum of 90 clock-hours of in-service training (may be advanced academic training) or six semester credit hours in early childhood education, inclusive of but not limited to child development or language acquisition, by September 1, 1993, to be eligible for

- (8) Elementary Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten-Grade 6). Initial assignments beginning

- (3) Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (4) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (5) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3.
- (6) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten).
- (7) Elementary Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
- (8) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
- (9) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (10) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4.
- (11) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (12) Kindergarten.
- (13) Legacy Master Mathematics Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 4) (Mathematics only).
- (14) Legacy Master Reading Teacher (Early Childhood-

§231.13. English as a Second Language, Prekindergarten-Grade 6.

An assignment for English as a Second Language, Prekindergarten-Grade 6, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) An elementary certified teacher with a valid English as a Second Language supplemental certificate or endorsement or bilingual education supplemental certificate or endorsement may be assigned to teach English as a Second Language at the kindergarten level.
- (2) A valid classroom teaching certificate appropriate for the grade level and subject areas taught plus one of the following.
 - (A) Bilingual Education Supplemental.
 - (B) Bilingual Education Supplemental (Early Childhood-Grade 4).
 - (C) Bilingual Education Supplemental (Grades 4-8).
 - (D) Bilingual Endorsement.
 - (E) Bilingual/English as a Second Language Endorsement.
 - (F) English as a Second Language Endorsement.
 - (G) English as a Second Language Supplemental.
- (3) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Kindergarten-Grade 4 only).
- (4) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (5) Bilingual Generalist: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (6) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Kindergarten-Grade 4 only).
- (7) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (8) English as a Second Language Generalist: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (9) Prekindergarten-Grade 5--Bilingual/English as a Second Language (Prekindergarten-Grade 5 only).
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- (6) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3 (Prekindergarten-Grade 3 only).
- (7) Core Subjects: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (8) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (9) Elementary--General.
- (10) Elementary--General (Grades 1-6).
- (11) Elementary--General (Grades 1-8).
- (12) Elementary Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
- (13) Elementary Self-Contained (Grades 1-8).
- (14) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Grades 1-4 only).
- (15) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (16) English as a Second Language Generalist: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (17) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Grades 1-4 only).
- (18) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (19) Generalist: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (20) Legacy Master Mathematics Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 4) (Mathematics in Grades 1-4 only).
- (21) Legacy Master Mathematics Teacher (Grades 4-8) (Mathematics in Grades 4-6 only).
- (22) Legacy Master Reading Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 12) (Reading in Grades 1-6 only).
- (23) Legacy Master Science Teacher (Early Childhood-Grade 4) (Science in Grades 1-4 only).
- (24) Legacy Master Science Teacher (Grades 4-8) (Science in Grades 4-6 only).
- (25) Prekindergarten-Grade 5--General (Grades 1-5 only).
- (26) Prekindergarten-Grade 6--General.
- (27) Teacher of Young Children--General (Grades 1-3 only).

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§231.17. Reading, Prekindergarten-Grade 6.

An assignment for Reading, Prekindergarten-Grade 6, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) A teacher certificate that matches the subject and grade level of the assignment (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
- (2) An elementary teacher certificate appropriate for Grades 1-6 assignment.
- (3) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Grades 1-4 only).
- (4) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (5) Bilingual Generalist: Grades 4-8 (Grades 4-6 only).
- (6) Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (7) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6.

§231.25. Theatre, Prekindergarten-Grade 6.

An assignment for Theatre, Prekindergarten-Grade 6, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) All-Level Speech and Drama.
- (2) All-Level Speech Communications/Theatre Arts.
- (3) All-Level Theatre Arts.
- (4) An elementary teacher certificate appropriate for Prekindergarten-Grade 6 assignment.
- (5) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3 (Prekindergarten-Grade 3 only).
- (6) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten only).
- (7) Theatre: Early Childhood-Grade 12.

Statutory Authority: The provisions of this §231.25 issued under the Texas Education Code, §ng certificates.

§231.29. Technology Applications, Prekindergarten-Grade 6.

An assignment for Technology Applications, Prekindergarten-Grade 6, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) A teacher certificate that matches the subject and grade level of the assignment (Prekindergarten-Grade 6), plus verification of competency to teach Technology Applications.
- (2) Technology Applications: Early Childhood-Grade 12.

Statutory Authority: The provisions of this §231.29 issued under the Texas Education Code, §21.031(a) and §21.041(b)(1) and (2).

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§231.31. Health Education, Prekindergarten-Grade 6.

An assignment for Health Education, Prekindergarten-Grade 6, is allowed with one of the following certificates.

- (1) A teacher certificate that matches the subject and grade level of the assignment (Prekindergarten-Grade 6).
- (2) All-Level Physical Education.
- (3) All-Level Health and Physical Education.
- (4) An elementary teacher certificate appropriate for Prekindergarten-Grade 6 assignment.
- (5) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Early Childhood-Grade 4 only).
- (6) Bilingual Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (7) Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (8) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (9) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3 (Prekindergarten-Grade 3 only).
- (10) Early Childhood Education (Prekindergarten and Kindergarten only).
- (11) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Early Childhood-Grade 4 only).
- (12) English as a Second Language Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (13) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 4 (Early Childhood-Grade 4 only).
- (14) Generalist: Early Childhood-Grade 6.
- (15) Physical Education: Early Childhood-Grade 12.

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